

SECTION 6. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on April 23, 2015: Yeas 135, Nays 4, 2 present, not voting; the House concurred in Senate amendments to H.B. No. 1309 on May 26, 2015: Yeas 145, Nays 1, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate, with amendments, on May 22, 2015: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 17, 2015.

Effective June 17, 2015.

**PAYMENT OF COSTS INCURRED BY THE INVOLUNTARY
COMMITMENT OF PERSONS WITH MENTAL ILLNESS**

CHAPTER 723

H.B. No. 1329

AN ACT

relating to the payment of costs incurred by the involuntary commitment of persons with mental illness.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

SECTION 1. Sections 571.018(a) and (b), Health and Safety Code, are amended to read as follows:

(a) The costs for a hearing or proceeding under this subtitle shall be paid by:

(1) the county *in which* ~~(that initiates)~~ emergency detention procedures *are initiated* under Subchapter A or B, Chapter 573; or

(2) if no emergency detention procedures are initiated, the county that accepts an application for court-ordered mental health services, issues an order for protective custody, or issues an order for temporary mental health services.

(b) The county responsible for the costs of a hearing or proceeding under Subsection (a) shall pay the costs of all subsequent hearings or proceedings for that person under this subtitle until the person is discharged from mental health services. *The county may not pay the costs from any fees collected under Section 51.704, Government Code.* The costs shall be billed by the clerk of the court conducting the hearings.

SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2015.

Passed by the House on May 8, 2015: Yeas 140, Nays 2, 2 present, not voting; passed by the Senate on May 26, 2015: Yeas 31, Nays 0.

Approved June 17, 2015.

Effective September 1, 2015.

**REQUIRING INSTITUTIONS AND ASSISTED LIVING
FACILITIES TO MAINTAIN GUARDIANSHIP ORDERS OF
RESIDENTS**

CHAPTER 724

H.B. No. 1337

AN ACT